

Meeting Minutes
for the
Arena/Convention/Entertainment Board
May 25, 2011
8:00 a.m.

Sioux Falls Arena – Board Room
1201 North West Avenue
Sioux Falls SD 57104

(City Staff liaison: Mike Cooper – 367-8888)

ITEM 1. CALL TO ORDER & QUORUM DETERMINATION:

MEMBERS PRESENT: Lee Otis, Tom VanWyhe, Kevin Garry, Teri Ellis-Schmidt

MEMBERS ABSENT: Susan Scott, Mike Begeman

GUESTS/STAFF: Terry Torkildson (SMG/Arena), Joe Romano (SMG), Lori Schnell (SMG/Arena), Scott Kavanaugh (Global/Convention Center), Kraig Pomrenke (Global/Convention Center), and Mayor Mike Huether (City of Sioux Falls), Mike cooper (City of Sioux Falls), Russ Sorenson (City of Sioux Falls), Elizabeth Kolbert (Global/Convention Center)

ITEM 2. WELCOME & INTRODUCTIONS

Mayor Mike Huether was welcomed to the meeting and introductions were made.

Mayor Mike Huether discussed the new event center. The Mayor asked the Board to be more engaged in helping the project move forward by contacting the City Council Members and by speaking at City Council meetings.

ITEM 3. APPROVAL OF REGULAR AGENDA

Tornado Preparedness was added under Other Business

ITEM 4. REVIEW & ACTION on the April 27, 2011 Regular Meeting Minutes

The minutes from April 27, 2011 were deemed approved.

ITEM 5. REVIEW of Arena and Convention Center Event Updates

The Board received a listing of the upcoming events for the Arena which includes WWE Raw World Tour on May 29 and Argus Leader RibFest on June 2-5.

The Board received a listing of the upcoming events for the Convention Center which includes Colorado Tech on June 2, SD Pharmacists Assoc. on June 3-5, Farrell-Wynthein Wed Reception on June 4, SD Bankers Assoc. on June 5-7, CenterPoint Energy on June 8, VOA National Conference on June 10-14, AT&T/Chamber Mixer on June 14, Eide Bailly on June 15-17, Rodriguez-Arevalo Wedding Reception on June 18, Pizza Ranch Inc. on June 19-23, Pioneer Hi-Bred on June 21-23, CVB Council on June 23, SD National Guard Yellow Ribbon on June 24-26, Specialty Auto Auction on June 25 and Annual Governor's Ag Summit on June 29.

ITEM 6. REVIEW of Arena and Convention Center Financial Reports

The Board discussed the Arena budget that was actual through April.

ITEM 7. REVIEW Arena and Convention Center User Evaluations

Arena evaluations from the Chris Tomlin concert held on February 17, 2011, State "A" Wrestling Tournament held on February 25 & 26, 2011, State Basketball Tournament held on March 17 – 19, 2011, Summit League Basketball Tournament held on March 5-8, 2011 and Sioux Empire Sportsmen's Show held on March 10 – 13, 2011 were discussed.

ITEM 8. APPOINT Nomination Committee for Chair and Vice Chair

Tabled to the June meeting.

The Mayor's office has received two applications for appointments to the Arena Convention Entertainment Board. The recommendations will be given to the City Council the first part of June.

ITEM 9. OTHER BUSINESS

Tornado Preparedness: The Arena has a Crisis Communication Manual that is updated annually and reviewed by all staff that their annual training meetings. The Convention Center holds monthly safety training meetings. The safe areas are the Arena concourses and the back hallway of the Convention Center. The Arena is the safe site for HWF and Pheasants Stadium events.

ITEM 10. PUBLIC INPUT

No public input.

ITEM 11. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Next Meeting – Wednesday, July 27, 2011, 8:00 a.m. Arena Conference Room

ITEM 12. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned.

Handouts for May 25, 2011 Meeting include:

- May 25, 2011 Agenda
- April 27, 2011 Meeting Minutes
- Event Updates
- Financial Reports
- User Evaluations
- 2011 Work Program
- Press Release for Board Vacancies